MOULTONBOROUGH RECREATION DEPARTMENT

ADVISORY BOARD

Mission Statement

The mission of the Advisory Board to the Moultonborough Recreation Department is to provide the public a standard of excellence in programs and services in a cooperative spirit that encourages participation in recreation, sport and leisure activities, while carefully promoting and utilizing recreational resources and facilities available in the community.

Purpose

The principal function of the Advisory Board is to serve as a communication bridge between the Recreation Director, the Board of Selectmen and the Community and to promote programs and services to encourage support from our community through input and participation.

Monday, April 14, 2014 7:00 P.M. MRD, Holland Street

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Al Hume, Carla Taylor, Celeste Burns, Donna Kuethe, Jim Duddy Absent: Matt Swedberg, Chris Shipp

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Carla called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
- III. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. A discussion took place regarding the late cancellation of the last meeting. Carla will make the decisions on cancellations in the future. She will also take responsibility for sending Celeste action items for future agendas. Carla asked if the responsibility could be shared with MRD to attend and Donna and Celeste thought it was lack of available members. It was thought by all that advance notice would be advisable to make sure enough are available should a community member want to comment.
 - b. Discussion time for Donnas needs from the school: this issue was debated at length and Carla would like to see

Donna actually put her needs in writing. Celeste reminded all that she had already discussed Donna's needs with both schools and the administration. Donna also had the same discussion with them last year and recapped the discussion for new member Jim Duddy. Al believes that the schools should be able to give her the cafeteria and gym at MA and the gym and MPR at MCS for July and is surprised. He also brought up the community's use of the auditorium.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

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- a. Update on gym facility: nothing new to report
- b. Matt's position: Still no word from Chris. Jim's application will be submitted by Donna and hopefully will be approved shortly. Positions were reviewed with Carla as Chair, Celeste as vice-chair and secretary, Al and Matt as permanent members and Jim as the anticipated alternate.
- RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT: Donna highlighted some family activities like the successful father-daughter dance and is going to have a mother-son mini-golf scramble with a pizza party, cardboard sled race was very good. 8 Concerts scheduled this summer with a different focus for each, such as ice-cream, food vendors, kids activities. Adult Boston Duck Tour trip is being run with Belmont and it's almost sold out. Pickleball still in Meredith until end of May. She also informed about the safe sitter program as a less expensive alternative to the Red Cross program and Dan and Donna are getting trained. Summer brochure almost done. Jim inquired about the adult softball program and Donna explained the program and that it usually has 9-11 teams. There are 19 kids signed up for t-ball.

Carla asked about advertising for the father-daughter dance and she explained it's the same for all events that are advertised through the schools and facebook and the newsletter. Carla then inquired about Cal Ripkin and that numbers are down for the program and for junior high because of the competitive nature of the first program. Donna then explained how our program used to work and how it now works. Cal Ripkin plays out of Meredith through age 12. Babe Ruth is 13-15 and it is thought to be in Meredith. Jim explained how the Cape Cod process works and how they were able to make it to the World Series. He wondered if summer students from Balmoral and Suissevale could be included. Because it is no longer run the MRD she wasn't sure how they could be notified. Carla thought a smaller program could be brought back here but that doesn't solve the lack of teams to play. Numbers are down for softball all over. Jim thought summer clinics might be a way to attract kids locally. Flag football and lacrosse also take some kids away from MRD programs.

- VI. CITIZEN/MEMBER INPUT: Carla asked if anyone had received and input. None.
- VII. NEXT MEETING DATE: May 5, 2014
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:16.